THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (c) Housing being a State subject. the State Governments are free to formulate their own schemes and implement them with State funds and institutional finances. Govt. of India does not provide financial assistance directly to any State Government for urban housing problems. As such, no urban housing scheme has been received by the Govt. of India from the State of Tamil Nadu.

However, the Govt. of India have approved a package of financial assistance for the re-construction of fully damaged houses during the floods of October-November, 1992 at 30 per cent Central subsidey, 30 per cent State subsidy and 40 per cent HUDCO loan of the total project cost. The State Government have been advised to approach HUDCO in this connection.

Privatisation of Essential Services in Delhi

4591. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Goernment have a proposal for privatisation of essential services under his Ministry in Delhi;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the staff working in essential services is likely to be retrenched; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to protect their interest?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (d) With a view to improve efficiency of management of various civic essential services and optimise the resources available various measures have been under the consideration of the Government, including the involvement of the private sector, for the provision of civic essential services. However, no specific scheme to handover civic/essential services in Delhi to the private sector has been finalised by the Government.

Conversion of industrial plots

4592. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scheme of industrial plot conversion Sale or transfer—announced by the National Capital Territory of Delhi (N.C.T.) has not taken place as reported in the 'Hindustan Times' dated August 6, 1993 under the news-item entitled "Plot convertiin Scheme a non-stait"; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) No, Sir. There is no scheme for conversion of Industrial Plots. Howeve. for sale of transfer of Industrial plots the Government of the National Capital Territory of Delhi has fixed the amount of 50 per cent unearned increase in the value of plot consequent upon transfer/sale of industrial plots allotted

by Department if Industries, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, in Delhi in the industrial areas as under:—

S. No.	Name of the Scheme	Amount payable to the Govt. (per sq. mtr.)
1.	Okhla Indl. Area phase II & III	Rs. 1350/-
2.	Functional Indl. Estate, Patparganj.	Rs. 1500/-
3.	Badli Indl. Estate.	Rs. 650/-

The rates have been fixed on 19-7-93 and are valid upto 31-3-96. As such, it cannot be stated that the scheme is a non-starter.

इंडिया गेट पर महात्मा गांधी की प्रतिमा

4593. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या **शहरी विकास** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) दिल्ली में इंडिया गेट पर राष्ट्रपिता महात्मा गांधी की प्रतिमा स्थापित करने में क्या कठिनाईयां पेश आ रही है ;

(ख) उक्त कार्य को पूरा करने में क्या-क्या बाधायें हैं और विलंब के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) यदि प्रतिमा तैयार है, तो इस समय उसे किस स्थान पर रखा गया है और क्या प्रतिमा वहां पर सुरक्षित है ?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री पी०के० थुंगन) : (क) और (ख) महात्मा गांधी की प्रतिमा को इंडिया गेट और नेशनल स्टेडियम के बीच अगस्त क्रांति उद्यान के रूप में विकसित किये जा रहे क्षेत्र में स्थापित करने का निर्णय लिया गया है। अगस्त क्रांति उद्यान की डिजाइन और नक्शे तैयार करने के लिये एक राष्ट्रीय प्रतियोगिता की घोषणा की गई है और कुछ माह के समय में फाइनल डिजाइन का चयन किये जाने की आशा है। प्रतिमा की अवस्थिति इस डिजाइन के अनुसार होगी और इसका निर्णय होते ही प्रतिमा लगा दी जायेगी।

(ग) प्रतिमा को दिल्ली के मैसर्स गुरू हैंडीक्राफ्ट स्टूडियों में अंतिम रूप दिया जा रहा है। तैयार होते ही इसे सरकारी वास में सिफ्ट कर दिया जायेगा।

Sub-letting of Government accommodation

4594. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any cases of sub-lettings of Government accommodation occupied by Government officials have come to Government's notice;

(b) if so, the number of such cases detected in each category during each of last three years; and

(c) what action Government have taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The requisite information is furnished in the statement enclosed (*see* below).

(c) In cases where full subletting of